

**Amendments to the Specification**

**On page 1, line 3, please replace the paragraph, with the following paragraph:**

The invention relates to a set, in particular for ~~fixed-top~~ combs or round combs on textile combing machines, comprising a plurality of needles which are arranged adjacent to each other, whereby each needle comprises a foot section and a tip section, and whereby between the tip sections of adjacent needles, a free opening area is formed, in which the fibres to be combed can penetrate during combing.

**On page 1, line 17 as amended on October 15, 2007, please replace the paragraph, with the following paragraph:**

It is known that needles for sets of this type ~~are~~ may be produced on the basis of a wire, which is formed using stamping, whereby a considerable level of ~~a wire, which is formed using stamping, whereby a considerable level of~~ deformation work is involved. On the other hand, it is also known that needles are produced on the basis of a metal sheet using punching, whereby the deformation work is reduced.

**On page 2, line 17 as amended on October 15, 2007, please replace the paragraph, with the following paragraph:**

This object is attained by the following means:

- the needles are produced by punching,
- at least the front end of the tip section is angular or ~~previously bent~~

forward, and

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- the needle density is  $\geq 33$  needles per cm.